

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S. 1059**

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TO:	The Honorable Glenn McConnell, Chairman, Senate Judiciary Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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AUTHOR:	Senator Hutto	PRIMARY CODE CITE:	19-1-190
SUBJECT:	Unanticipated Medical Outcome Reconciliation Act		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1059 amends Chapter 1, Title 19 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 19-1-190, which encourages the expression of regret from a medical provider to patients who have experienced negative results from treatment. These statements of apology will not be admissible as evidence in court proceedings.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Judicial Department

The Department indicates that enactment of this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the General Fund of the State, or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

State Budget & Control Board, Office of General Counsel

The Board indicates there will be no impact on the Insurance Reserve Fund which is administered by the Board. Therefore, there will be no impact on the General Fund of the State or Federal and/or other funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

Approved by:



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